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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: ASEC, PINS, LE, SY
SUBJECT: GALLAGHER/DYKES KIDNAPPING

COS SHIHABI TOLD AMBASSADOR DEC. 24 HE HAD PRESSED ARAFAT AND MUHSIN IN BEIRUT LAST WEEKEND FOR ACTION ON BEHALF OF GALLAGHER/DYKES. ASSERTED THAT HABASH WAS IN DIRECT CONTROL OF OUR TWO CITIZENS' FATE. ARAFAT'S CONTACTS WITH HABASH WERE INFREQUENT BUT SHIHABI WAS CONFIDENT THAT SYRIA'S MESSAGE WOULD GET THROUGH ARAFAT TO HABASH URGING THAT RELEASE OF

GALLAGHER/DYKES BE ACCOMPLISHED AS GOOD WILL GESTURE IN TIME FOR CHRISTMAS.
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